BEFORE THE ARIZONA BOARD OF

OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
S. FOSTER EASLEY, D.O. Holder of License No. 3212 for the practice of osteopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.))))	FINDINGS OF FACT, CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND SUMMARY SUSPENSION OF LICENSE

The Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery (hereafter "Board") held a public meeting on July 10, 2000, regarding S. Foster Easley III, D.O. (hereinafter "Respondent"). Following the Board's review of information and evidence obtained pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1855 and § 32-1855.01, and having considered the evidence and information in the matter and being fully advised, the Board enters the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order of Summary Suspension, pending proceedings for revocation or other action.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Board is empowered, pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1800, et seq. To regulate the licensing and practice of osteopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 2. Respondent is a licensee of the Board and the holder of License No. 3212 for the practice of osteopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.
- 3. The Board reviewed Respondent's application for license during a public Board Meeting concerning the Respondent's medical history and prior addiction to a controlled substance and all other relevant issues concerning his qualifications to obtain a Board license. On August 7, 1999, during its public meeting, the Board authorized preparation of an order granting Respondent a license to practice as an osteopathic physician in the State of Arizona; but, said license was placed

on probation and subject to specific requirements including, but not limited to, mandatory participation in random urine drug screens, attendance at required Board Impaired Physician committee meetings, and complete abstinence from alcohol and non-prescribed medications or illicit drugs.

- 3. Information was brought to the attention of the Board that Respondent may be medically and/or psychologically unable to safely and skillfully engage in the practice of medicine and may have committed one or more acts of unprofessional conduct as defined in A.R.S. § 32-1854.
- 4. On or about July 1, 2000, Respondent tested positive for alcohol on his urine drug screen. Respondent provided his urine drug screen in an untimely manner, five hours after the required time.
- 5. In public session, the Board voted on July 1, 2000 that Respondent is medically and/or psychologically unable to engage in the practice of medicine and is an immediate threat to the health and welfare of the public.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1800, et seq. the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and surgery has subject matter and personal jurisdiction in this matter.
- 2. The Board has the authority to summarily suspend an osteopathic license pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1855(C) and § 41-1064 when the physician may not safely engage in the practice of medicine and is an immediate threat to the public's health, welfare and safety.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1855(C) and § 41-1064, SUMMARILY SUSPENDING

LICENSE NO. 3510 HELD BY S. FOSTER EASLEY III, D.O. for the practice of osteopathic medicine in this State of Arizona effective July 10, 2000 pending further disciplinary proceedings or until further Order of the Board.

- 2. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1855(C), that S. FOSTER EASLEY III, D.O. shall submit himself for such mental, physical or oral or written medical competency examinations or any combination thereof as will be designated by the Board. Such examinations shall be conducted by persons specified by the Board.
- 3. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1855(C), this matter shall be heard by a Hearing Officer or the full Board within sixty (60) days.

ENTERED this 10th day of July, 2000.

ARIZONA BOARD OF OSTEOPATHIC EXAMINERS IN MEDICINE AND SURGERY

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Ann Marie Berger, Executive Director

Served by personal service or Certified Mail this 11 day of July, 2000 to:

S. Foster Easley, D.O. 7810 N. 14th Place #3010 Phoenix AZ 85020

A copy of the Summary Suspension Order was mailed this \(\frac{1}{2} \) day of July, 2000 to:

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